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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicant : Culbert et al.
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 For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
 SPINAL FIXATION
 Examiner : Anuradha Ramana
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Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being made as follows:

1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

(X) Enclosed:

(X) Amendment/Reply in 17 pages.

2. Fees:

The present application qualifies for Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.27.

FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
RCE Fee		2801 (\$405)		\$405
1 Month Extension		2251 (\$65)		\$ 65
			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$470

(X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

3. Payment:

(X) The amount of \$470 will be paid via EFS Web.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: November 17, 2009

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